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1. FOLLOWING CW SESSION ON AFTERNOON JULY 12, CCD
CO-CHAIRMEN AND ALTERNATES MET TO DISCUSS SEVERAL PROPOSALS
PUT FORWARD AT MORNING'S CCD INFORMALS ON AGENDA. PROPOSALS
WERE AS FOLLOWS:

(A) SWEDEN -- SCHEDULE AN INFORMAL SESSION ON FORMATION
OF AD HOC WORKING GROUPS WEEK OF JULY 25;
(B) MEXICO -- SCHEDULE INFORMAL MEETINGS ON CCD PROPOSALS
AND ORGANIZATION WEEK OF AUG 1 OR JULY 25;
(C) UK -- SCHEDULE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUPS ON CW WEEK
AUG 2 TO 5, AND FORMATION OF CW AD HOC GROUP WEEK OF AUG
22.

2. US REP (FISHER) SAID THAT WE COULD NOT AGREE WITH ANY
OF THESE PROPOSALS BUT SUGGESTED MODIFICATION OF DRAFT
CO-CHAIRMEN'S AGENDA IN TWO RESPECTS TO TRY TO ACCOMMODATE
TO A DEGREE SOME OF THESE PROPOSALS. FIRST CHANGE WOULD
BE TO INSERT STATEMENT IN AGENDA THAT CO-CHAIRMEN RECOGNIZE
RIGHT OF ANY DEL TO RAISE QUESTION OF FORMATION OF AD HOC
GROUPS AT ANY TIME IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROCEDURAL DECISION
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OF APRIL 29, 1977. SECOND PROPOSAL WAS TO EXPAND DESCRIPTION
OF AUG 22 TO 26 INFORMALS ON CW TO INCLUDE POSSIBILITY
OF DISCUSSING ORGANIZATION AND SCHEDULING
OF CCD'S FURTHER WORK ON CW.

3. FISHER ALSO ASKED FOR SOVIET VIEWS ON POSSIBILITY OF
SOME ACCOMMODATION TO BRITISH PROPOSAL TO HOLD TECHNICAL

WORKING GROUP SESSIONS ON CW ON A SUBJECT LIKE TECHNICAL PROBLEMS CONNECTED WITH STOCKPILE DESTRUCTION. HOWEVER, FISHER SAID HE WAS NOT INSTRUCTED ON THIS POINT AND HAD NO VIEWS BUT THOUGHT MATTER SHOULD BE CONSIDERED.

4. SOVIET CO-CHAIRMAN (LIKHATCHEV) AGREED WITH US VIEWS CONCERNING SWEDISH AND MEXICAN PROPOSALS AND WITH SLIGHT MODIFICATION ACCEPTED CHANGES TO DRAFT CO-CHAIRMEN'S SCHEDULE AS SUGGESTED BY US. ON QUESTION OF TECHNICAL WORKING GROUPS HE SAID THAT HE SAW REAL PROBLEMS AND IN FACT WOULD REGARD THEM AS A STEP BACKWARD AT A TIME WHEN POLITICAL DECISIONS, NOT MORE TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS, ARE NEEDED TO MOVE CW FORWARD. HE COULD NOT THINK OF ANYTHING USEFUL THAT SUCH WORKING GROUPS MIGHT DISCUSS AND DID NOT EVEN PLAN TO ASK MOSCOW FOR INSTRUCTIONS ON THIS QUESTION. HE DID SAY AT THE END, HOWEVER, THAT CO-CHAIRMEN SHOULD TAKE READING AFTER NEXT SESSION ON AGENDA NOW SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, JUL 14.

5. CO-CHAIRMEN AGREED TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON VARIOUS PROPOSALS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE AT JULY 14 SESSION AND THEN DISTRIBUTE REVISED AGENDA.

6. COMMENT: LIKHATCHEV INDICATED THAT HE WAS PREPARED TO BE ABSOLUTELY UNYIELDING ON QUESTION OF FORMATION OF CW(OR CTB) WORKING GROUPS. CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT WE CONFIDENTIAL

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WILL HAVE TO TOUGH IT OUT ON THIS POINT IN THIS SESSION.
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